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Job projections for Montana occupations, 2000 - 2010

It is estimated there will be a growth of about 93,000 wage and salary and self-employment jobs in Montana from 2000 to 2010—71,000 of which are estimated to be wage and salary jobs, and 22,000 of which are estimated to be self-employment jobs.

This translates to an average growth of about 9,300 full- and part-time jobs each year through 2010.

Job projections to 2010 for Montana's industries and occupations were developed by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau based on data through 2000.

Most Montana jobs require two years or less of education or training. See information on back page.

Occupations projected to increase from industry growth

Occupations projected to show the largest job increases because of industry growth are retail salespersons, general and operations managers, heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers, carpenters, first line supervisors/managers of retail sales workers, cashiers, maids and housekeeping cleaners, registered nurses, child care workers, janitors and cleaners (except maids and housekeeping cleaners), and waiters and waitresses.

Occupations increasing due to both growth AND replacements provide largest number of jobs

Usually openings resulting from replacement needs are greater than those from industry growth—and more jobs will generally be available in large occupations that experience a need to replace workers rather than in occupations experiencing actual growth in demand.

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Montana Occupations with the Most Annual Job Openings
Due to Growth AND Replacements, 2000 - 2010
Statewide - All Industries (Includes Self-Employed)

Occupation	Total Average Annual Openings	2001 Median Hourly Wage	Training Level Required*
Retail Salespersons	933	$7.54	11
Cashiers	627	$6.89	11
Waiters & Waitresses	533	$6.29	11
Child Care Workers	443	$6.89	11
General & Operations Managers	441	$19.12	4
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	410	$11.39	8
Carpenters	404	$14.40	9
Combined Food Preparation & Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	364	$6.83	11
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	347	$14.17	10
Registered Nurses	322	$19.17	6
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	317	$6.71	11
Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	316	$8.06	11
Bookkeeping, Accounting & Auditing Clerks	310	$10.22	10
Office Clerks, General	289	$8.83	11
Bartenders	269	$7.17	11
Farmers & Ranchers	257	NA	9
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades & Extraction Workers	255	$19.28	8
Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession & Coffee Shop	224	$6.90	11
Sales Reps, Wholesale & Manufacturing, Except Tech & Scientific Products	222	$15.85	10
Laborers & Freight, Stock & Material Movers, Hand	209	$8.48	11
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	201	$13.80	7
Cooks, Restaurant	198	$7.97	9
Teacher Assistants	187	NA	11
Food Preparation Workers	178	$7.03	11
Nursing Aides, Orderlies & Attendants	176	$8.11	11
Landscaping & Groundskeeping Workers	174	$8.03	11
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	172	$8.51	11
Receptionists & Information Clerks	157	$8.61	11
Customer Service Representatives	156	$9.59	10
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	156	$9.62	11
Hairdressers, Hairstylists & Cosmetologists	150	$7.85	7
Personal & Home Care Aides	150	$7.38	11

NA. Not Available

* Training Level Required: 01 First professional degree, 02 Doctoral degree, 03 Master's degree, 04 Work experience plus degree, 05 Bachelor's degree, 06 Associate degree, 07 Postsecondary vocational training, 08 Work experience in a related occupation, 09 Long-term on-the-job training, 10 Moderate-term on-the-job training, 11 Short-term on-the-job training.

Source: Research & Analysis Bureau, Montana Department of Labor & Industry

The *table on this page* shows occupations that are expected to have 150 or more jobs become available each year through 2010 based on growth AND replacements.

Growth is the increase in demand for workers in specific occupations. Replacements arise from the need to replace workers leaving the labor force (e.g., due to death, retirement, going home to care for children or a sick relative, taking a job in another state, etc.).

Higher-paying occupations generally require more training than lower-paying occupations. Training may include training acquired in a school, work, apprenticeship, military, institutional or vocational environment.

Most Montana jobs require two years or less of education or training, as the *chart on the back page* of this publication shows.

Look for detailed projections on the bureau's website with wage and training information included.

Find the bureau's website at http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/. ■

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Industry classification has changed from SIC to NAICS

SIC to NAICS

Industry classification changed beginning with January 2003 nonagricultural industry employment data because of the changeover from the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) industry coding system to the North American Industry Classification (NAICS) system.

Old (SIC) industry coding system	*New (NAICS) industry coding system*
Mining	Natural Resources & Mining
Construction	Construction
Manufacturing	Manufacturing
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	Trade, Transportation & Utilities
Trade	Information
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Financial Activities
Services	Professional & Business Services
Government	Educational & Health Services
	Leisure & Hospitality
	Other Services
	Government

What's similar?

- Employment estimates for Montana will still have total nonfarm, total private, goods producing and service providing (producing) categories.
- The estimates will still provide categories of goods, services and government. Average hourly earnings, average weekly hours and average weekly earnings are also still being produced—as are production workers and female workers estimates.
- The **construction, manufacturing** and **government** supersectors have remained much the same as before.

What's different?

- Mining is now part of the **natural resources and mining** supersector, along with logging. This new supersector also includes mining support activities.
- The new **trade, transportation and utilities** supersector includes trade, transportation, warehousing and utilities.
- Most of communications has moved to the new **information** supersector, which includes publishers, radio and television broadcasting, telecommunications and Internet service providers.
- The **financial activities** supersector combines finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing. Rental and leasing includes real estate activities, automobile rentals, consumer goods rental, and leasing of construction, commercial and office machinery.
- The **professional and business services** supersector includes bank holding companies, corporate management offices, lawyers, accountants, architectural and engineering services, advertising and public relations agencies, and veterinarians. It also includes employment placement offices, temporary help services, telephone call centers, travel agencies, security guards and armored car services, janitorial, landscaping, waste collection, treatment and disposal, and hazardous materials (remediation) treatment.
- The **educational and health services** supersector includes private education services, health care and social services. *NOTE: Public education is still included in the government supersector.*
- Hotels and other lodging places, and eating and drinking places that once were part of retail trade are now part of the new **leisure and hospitality** supersector. This supersector also includes museums, skiing facilities, bowling centers, gambling places and golf courses.
- The **other services** supersector includes automotive repair, appliance repair, funeral homes, laundry and dry cleaning services, religious organizations, civic and social organizations—and business, professional and labor organizations. ■

New informational wage rates on R&A website

Montana informational wage rates by occupation for 2001 have just been released and can be accessed on the Research and Analysis Bureau website at http://rad.dli.state.mt.us.

The 2001 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) wage estimates are based on data collected from nonagricultural business establishments in 1999, 2000 and 2001.

- Occupations are listed alphabetically and by occupational category.
- Wages are included for Montana, the U.S., and the Cascade, Missoula and Yellowstone County Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs).
- Wages include mean, median, middle range and annual.
- An occupational description is included with each listing. ■

Economic highlights and employment outlook

Civilian labor force

Montana's **civilian labor force** averaged 464,500 the first quarter of 2003—up 2,000 over the quarter, and up 7,000 over the year.

Employed

The number of Montanans **employed** during the quarter averaged 440,200—down 800 over the quarter, but up 9,100 over the year.

Quarterly Employment Trends

Quarter	MONTANA Montana Civilian Labor Force*	MONTANA Montanans Employed	MONTANA Montanans Unemployed	MONTANA Unemployment Rate (Montana)	UNITED STATES Unemployment Rate (U.S.)
2003 - 1st	464,500	440,200	24,300	5.2%	6.3%
2002 - 4th	462,500	441,000	21,500	4.7%	5.6%
2002 - 3rd	469,100	451,800	17,300	3.7%	5.7%
2002 - 2nd	466,300	446,000	20,300	4.4%	5.7%
2002 - 1st	457,500	431,100	26,400	5.8%	6.2%

*Rounded Civilian Labor Force Numbers, 2003 Benchmark (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Unemployed

The number of Montanans **unemployed** during the quarter averaged 24,300—up 2,800 over the quarter, but down 2,100 over the year.

The average **unemployment rate** for the quarter was 5.2 percent—up five-tenths of a percentage point over the quarter, but down six-tenths of a percentage point over the year. ■

Wage and salary jobs by industry sectors

(NOTE: Numbers may not total due to rounding.)

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment in Montana averaged 385,900 jobs the first quarter of 2003—down about 13,300 jobs over the quarter, but up approximately 2,400 jobs over the year.

Natural resources and mining averaged 6,100 jobs—down 200 jobs over the quarter, but up 200 jobs over the year.

Construction averaged 18,900 jobs—down 3,800 jobs over the quarter, but up about 800 jobs over the year.

Manufacturing averaged 18,700 jobs—down about 900 jobs over the quarter, and down about 1,000 over the year.

Trade, transportation and utilities averaged 82,300 jobs—down 3,700 jobs over the quarter, but nearly even over the year.

Information averaged 7,900 jobs—up 200 jobs over the quarter, and about even over the year.

Financial activities averaged 19,700—even over the quarter and up about 800 over the year, mostly in finance and insurance.

Professional and business services averaged 31,400 jobs—down 1,300 jobs over the quarter, but about even over the year.

Educational and health services averaged 52,400 jobs—nearly even over the quarter, and up about 800 over the year. (Health services jobs dominate this supersector, with *private* educational health services accounting for only 3,800 jobs during first quarter 2003.)

Leisure & hospitality averaged 48,500 jobs—down about 1,200 jobs over the quarter, but up about 1,300 jobs over the year.

Other services averaged 15,900 jobs—down approximately 400 jobs over the quarter, but up about 300 jobs over the year.

Government averaged 84,100 jobs—down about 1,900 jobs over the quarter, and down about 700 jobs over the year.

Average weekly hours and earnings

Average weekly earnings for production workers averaged $400.04 for the first quarter of 2003—down $5.73 over the quarter, but up $17.55 over the year.

Average weekly hours averaged 31.4—down five-tenths of an hour over the quarter, but up one-tenth of an hour over the year.

Average hourly earnings averaged $12.74 for the quarter—up 2 cents over the quarter, and up 52 cents over the year. ■

Industry news from around the state

(Gathered primarily from state newspaper reports)

Natural Resources & Mining

•Montana's 2002 wheat crop production increased 14 percent over 2001, according to the Montana Agricultural Statistics Service. Nearly all other crops showed increases too, except for hay prices which dropped around $10 per ton.

Construction

•Construction was set to begin in May on a $75 million barley-malting plant north of Great Falls. According to the manufacturing director, the plant would be one of the largest in the U.S., employing around 34 workers.

•A $3.9 million expansion of Missoula's Doubletree Hotel includes an expanded view of the city's south side, including the Clark Fork River, Mount Sentinel and the University of Montana. The expansion includes the Finn and Porter restaurant, employing around 20 people.

Manufacturing

•Oregon's Roseburg Forest Products recently paid $20 million to acquire Missoula's Louisiana-Pacific particleboard plant. Its plant in Dillard, Ore. will laminate Missoula-made particleboard to produce cabinets and countertops.

•Columbia Falls Aluminum Company's management says rapid growth in Chinese aluminum production is increasing demand for alumina, driving up prices and forcing the company to lay off 175 of its workers. High-energy prices and a low-water year are also contributing factors to a slowdown at the plant.

•Three Great Falls men laid off from General Mills purchased the company's metal fabrication shop and now build and repair grain elevators, metal trailers and water tanks. Montana Metal Fabrications is located in what was once an old brewery. They also keep busy building trailers for golf carts and snowmobiles.

•Several Montana companies are providing goods to the U.S. military. The U.S. Department of Defense has increased its order for valve stems for canteens to 200,000 a month from Cascade Machining in Big Timber. Poplar's A&S Tribal Industries, owned by the Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux tribes, makes metal chests for storage and transportation and recently signed a $5 million, two-year contract. The Army National Guard ordered metal baskets carried by helicopters from Precision Lift of Monarch. The defense department in fiscal year 2001 alone spent $127 million for Montana companies' goods and services.

•Trout Creek Lumber Company in Thompson Falls laid off 34 workers in February due to competition from imports in the timber and lumber markets. At its peak, the company employed 118 workers.

•Lincoln's Hi Country Snack Foods continues to prosper despite competition. The multi-million dollar food company, which employs 50 to 60 people, makes its own gourmet beef jerky, elk sausage and buffalo salami. They also have a gift shop specializing in Montana-made products like jams, mustard, spices and teas.

•Culbertson has its own winery. Wine from Rolling Hills Winery is made locally and takes about 50 days to process using fruits such as blueberries, chokecherries, raspberries and plums.

•Bozeman's Mattress Mill will move to a new location. The company, which opened in 1986, manufactures and sells mattresses. The company purchased the Performance Equipment building at Huffine and Love Lane last fall to expand its manufacturing area and showroom.

Trade, Transportation & Utilities

•Target has opened its seventh store in Montana. The 125,000 square-foot building in the Kalispell valley employs about 150 people.

•**Albertsons in Bozeman** is expanding and remodeling its University Square location and the project should be completed this fall. The $14 million renovation includes a new pharmacy, video rental center and one-hour photo shop.

•**Arnot's** furniture store in Conrad recently closed after 62 years in business.

•**Sportsman's Warehouse** recently opened in Missoula. The Utah-based company employs more than 600 people in its stores in Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Utah and Washington.

•**The Billings Heights County Market** recently closed but the city's other two stores remain open.

Information

•**Airpage** will hire 250 employees to handle a national contract. Airpage is working with Clear Channel to help customers get coupons off the Internet. The Billings company Town Bargains developed the computer software for Clear Channel. Airpage employees hook up coupon clippers with businesses offering the deals. Airpage will handle work for Clear Channel's 300 media markets, including five radio stations in Billings.

Financial Activities

•**Sterling Financial Corporation** has merged with Empire Federal Bancorp, Inc. Sterling acquired Empire Federal Bancorp, Inc. branches serving Big Timber, Billings, Bozeman, Livingston and Missoula. Sterling operates in Idaho, western Montana, Oregon and Washington.

•**The Billings-based First Interstate Bank** is a big hit on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation. Established in 2000, the full-service bank has since added a drive-through lane, twice expanded the size of the building and added staff. Residents used to drive an hour or more to bank in Ashland, Colstrip or Hardin.

Professional & Business Services

•**The assets of Harp Engineering** Inc.'s Billings and Kalispell locations were recently purchased from a subsidiary of MDU Resources Group, Inc., by Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson, Inc. A spokesperson for the civil engineering firm says KL&J has hired the majority of former Harp Engineering employees.

•**Teleperformance of Butte** recently hired more staff. Additional hiring could bring total employee count to 200. The call center company also has offices in Billings and Kalispell.

Educational* & Health Services
(*Private Education)

•The Seattle-based Casey Family Program is closing down its Montana offices. The private foundation finds foster or adoptive homes for youth. Eight staff members in both Helena and Missoula have been laid off. Remaining jobs will be eliminated over the next three years.

Leisure & Hospitality

•**Mackenzie River Pizza** opened its 11th Montana business in Whitefish. The restaurant there employs about 30 people.

•**The newest of two 4B's** restaurants in Billings recently closed after five years in business. A 4B's Bozeman restaurant also recently closed.

•**Wallace Theater Corporation** recently opened Bozeman's first stadium theater in the Gallatin Valley Mall. The Bozeman theater is Wallace's first in Montana. The theater has nine screens and digital surround sound. Each auditorium seats from 100 to 300 people.

•**Spanish Peaks** recently closed its restaurant in Bozeman. Last year Spanish Peaks Brewing Co. stopped distributing beer to Montana stores.

Government

•**Eighteen** developmentally-disabled residents will move from state centers in Boulder and Glendive to private, community-based locations in Billings, Butte and Missoula. The Department of Public Health and Human Services will move residents sometime next year. The Montana Developmental Center will close one housing unit and eliminate 33 jobs. A superintendent said few people would actually lose their jobs permanently because of existing and future vacancies. ■

TABLE 1-A
MONTANA MONTHLY LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY
LABOR FORCE STATISTICS

03 BMK
March 2003 (P)

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
U.S. (in thousands)	145,801	136,783	9,018	6.2%
MONTANA	465,822	442,141	23,681	5.1%
YELLOWSTONE	71,874	69,216	2,658	3.7%
CASCADE	37,815	36,093	1,722	4.6%
MISSOULA	54,839	52,494	2,345	4.3%
BEAVERHEAD	4,656	4,438	218	4.7%
BIG HORN	4,928	4,071	857	17.4%
BLAINE	2,576	2,388	188	7.3%
BROADWATER	2,057	1,951	106	5.2%
CARBON	4,619	4,428	191	4.1%
CARTER	834	815	19	2.3%
CHOUTEAU	2,448	2,383	65	2.7%
CUSTER	5,887	5,648	239	4.1%
DANIELS	1,175	1,143	32	2.7%
DAWSON	4,942	4,795	147	3.0%
DEER LODGE	3,988	3,736	252	6.3%
FALLON	1,601	1,554	47	2.9%
FERGUS	5,951	5,584	367	6.2%
FLATHEAD	40,277	37,718	2,559	6.4%
GALLATIN	44,594	43,256	1,338	3.0%
GARFIELD	786	763	23	2.9%
GLACIER	4,733	4,136	597	12.6%
GOLDEN VALLEY	443	408	35	7.9%
GRANITE	1,117	1,025	92	8.2%
HILL	9,434	9,047	387	4.1%
JEFFERSON	4,941	4,732	209	4.2%
JUDITH BASIN	1,044	981	63	6.0%
LAKE	10,907	10,079	828	7.6%
LEWIS & CLARK	27,892	26,692	1,200	4.3%
LIBERTY	975	947	28	2.9%
LINCOLN	7,080	5,840	1,240	17.5%
MCCONE	1,068	1,030	38	3.6%
MADISON	3,532	3,333	199	5.6%
MEAGHER	908	844	64	7.0%
MINERAL	1,561	1,395	166	10.6%
MUSSELSHELL	1,782	1,652	130	7.3%
PARK	9,430	8,928	502	5.3%
PETROLEUM	280	257	23	8.2%
PHILLIPS	2,055	1,924	131	6.4%
PONDERA	2,970	2,826	144	4.8%
POWDER RIVER	1,104	1,053	51	4.6%
POWELL	2,423	2,276	147	6.1%
PRAIRIE	628	600	28	4.5%
RAVALLI	18,456	17,346	1,110	6.0%
RICHLAND	5,245	4,922	323	6.2%
ROOSEVELT	3,948	3,655	293	7.4%
ROSEBUD	4,450	4,194	256	5.8%
SANDERS	4,236	3,792	444	10.5%
SHERIDAN	1,935	1,861	74	3.8%
SILVER BOW	16,440	15,602	838	5.1%
STILLWATER	5,533	5,376	157	2.8%
SWEET GRASS	1,596	1,554	42	2.6%
TETON	3,029	2,908	121	4.0%
TOOLE	2,680	2,600	80	3.0%
TREASURE	406	375	31	7.6%
VALLEY	4,113	3,949	164	4.0%
WHEATLAND	1,034	974	60	5.8%
WIBAUX	574	558	16	2.8%
L & C/JEFFERSON LMA	32,833	31,424	1,409	4.3%

SOURCE: LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-1 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION

TABLE 1-B
MONTANA MONTHLY LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY
LABOR FORCE STATISTICS

03 BMK
February 2003 (R)

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
U.S. (in thousands)	**145,693**	**136,433**	**9,260**	**6.4%**
MONTANA	464,880	440,543	24,337	5.2%
YELLOWSTONE	71,452	68,688	2,764	3.9%
CASCADE	37,841	36,061	1,780	4.7%
MISSOULA	54,938	52,490	2,448	4.5%
BEAVERHEAD	4,634	4,434	200	4.3%
BIG HORN	4,997	4,054	943	18.9%
BLAINE	2,517	2,359	158	6.3%
BROADWATER	2,068	1,947	121	5.9%
CARBON	4,596	4,383	213	4.6%
CARTER	823	802	21	2.6%
CHOUTEAU	2,443	2,367	76	3.1%
CUSTER	5,817	5,537	280	4.8%
DANIELS	1,169	1,138	31	2.7%
DAWSON	4,937	4,781	156	3.2%
DEER LODGE	3,937	3,711	226	5.7%
FALLON	1,595	1,550	45	2.8%
FERGUS	5,924	5,523	401	6.8%
FLATHEAD	40,392	37,737	2,655	6.6%
GALLATIN	44,560	43,222	1,338	3.0%
GARFIELD	800	775	25	3.1%
GLACIER	4,710	4,124	586	12.4%
GOLDEN VALLEY	439	402	37	8.4%
GRANITE	1,102	1,023	79	7.2%
HILL	9,382	9,026	356	3.8%
JEFFERSON	4,929	4,697	232	4.7%
JUDITH BASIN	1,034	977	57	5.5%
LAKE	10,894	9,979	915	8.4%
LEWIS & CLARK	27,781	26,496	1,285	4.6%
LIBERTY	980	944	36	3.7%
LINCOLN	7,028	5,839	1,189	16.9%
MCCONE	1,068	1,022	46	4.3%
MADISON	3,527	3,330	197	5.6%
MEAGHER	898	834	64	7.1%
MINERAL	1,556	1,395	161	10.3%
MUSSELSHELL	1,783	1,650	133	7.5%
PARK	9,381	8,928	453	4.8%
PETROLEUM	273	255	18	6.6%
PHILLIPS	2,037	1,912	125	6.1%
PONDERA	3,068	2,926	142	4.6%
POWDER RIVER	1,106	1,048	58	5.2%
POWELL	2,401	2,252	149	6.2%
PRAIRIE	623	592	31	5.0%
RAVALLI	18,400	17,220	1,180	6.4%
RICHLAND	5,130	4,874	256	5.0%
ROOSEVELT	3,920	3,643	277	7.1%
ROSEBUD	4,457	4,163	294	6.6%
SANDERS	4,216	3,788	428	10.2%
SHERIDAN	1,932	1,856	76	3.9%
SILVER BOW	16,472	15,578	894	5.4%
STILLWATER	5,407	5,242	165	3.1%
SWEET GRASS	1,715	1,667	48	2.8%
TETON	3,004	2,871	133	4.4%
TOOLE	2,664	2,595	69	2.6%
TREASURE	403	372	31	7.7%
VALLEY	4,115	3,936	179	4.3%
WHEATLAND	1,033	969	64	6.2%
WIBAUX	573	557	16	2.8%
L & C/JEFFERSON LMA	32,710	31,193	1,517	4.6%

SOURCE: LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-1 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION.

TABLE 1-C
MONTANA MONTHLY LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY
LABOR FORCE STATISTICS

03 BMK
January 2003 (R)

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
U.S. (in thousands)	**145,301**	**135,907**	**9,395**	**6.5%**
MONTANA	462,812	438,043	24,769	5.4%
YELLOWSTONE	69,560	66,933	2,627	3.8%
CASCADE	36,905	35,123	1,782	4.8%
MISSOULA	53,477	50,917	2,560	4.8%
BEAVERHEAD	4,640	4,420	220	4.7%
BIG HORN	5,018	4,052	966	19.3%
BLAINE	2,480	2,318	162	6.5%
BROADWATER	1,946	1,831	115	5.9%
CARBON	4,600	4,386	214	4.7%
CARTER	780	764	16	2.1%
CHOUTEAU	2,367	2,295	72	3.0%
CUSTER	5,767	5,494	273	4.7%
DANIELS	1,157	1,123	34	2.9%
DAWSON	4,947	4,794	153	3.1%
DEER LODGE	4,018	3,766	252	6.3%
FALLON	1,583	1,534	49	3.1%
FERGUS	5,945	5,525	420	7.1%
FLATHEAD	40,912	38,135	2,777	6.8%
GALLATIN	44,959	43,638	1,321	2.9%
GARFIELD	774	737	37	4.8%
GLACIER	4,707	4,131	576	12.2%
GOLDEN VALLEY	418	385	33	7.9%
GRANITE	1,099	1,014	85	7.7%
HILL	9,421	9,066	355	3.8%
JEFFERSON	5,005	4,768	237	4.7%
JUDITH BASIN	1,008	942	66	6.5%
LAKE	11,406	10,497	909	8.0%
LEWIS & CLARK	28,229	26,896	1,333	4.7%
LIBERTY	984	948	36	3.7%
LINCOLN	7,158	5,900	1,258	17.6%
MCCONE	1,034	991	43	4.2%
MADISON	3,505	3,303	202	5.8%
MEAGHER	941	868	73	7.8%
MINERAL	1,582	1,407	175	11.1%
MUSSELSHELL	1,779	1,638	141	7.9%
PARK	9,428	8,968	460	4.9%
PETROLEUM	261	242	19	7.3%
PHILLIPS	2,000	1,874	126	6.3%
PONDERA	3,018	2,882	136	4.5%
POWDER RIVER	1,062	1,016	46	4.3%
POWELL	2,412	2,268	144	6.0%
PRAIRIE	610	577	33	5.4%
RAVALLI	18,674	17,434	1,240	6.6%
RICHLAND	5,278	4,995	283	5.4%
ROOSEVELT	3,936	3,639	297	7.5%
ROSEBUD	4,443	4,146	297	6.7%
SANDERS	4,233	3,809	424	10.0%
SHERIDAN	1,909	1,837	72	3.8%
SILVER BOW	16,711	15,768	943	5.6%
STILLWATER	5,346	5,181	165	3.1%
SWEET GRASS	1,698	1,650	48	2.8%
TETON	2,949	2,829	120	4.1%
TOOLE	2,642	2,579	63	2.4%
TREASURE	387	359	28	7.2%
VALLEY	4,080	3,920	160	3.9%
WHEATLAND	1,044	980	64	6.1%
WIBAUX	568	550	18	3.2%
L & C/JEFFERSON LMA	33,234	31,664	1,570	4.7%

SOURCE: LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE 5 FOR "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION.

TABLE II
MONTANA CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY STATISTICS
(IN THOUSANDS)

2003 ANNUAL DATA **(Preliminary)**	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/	462.8	464 9	465 8										
EMPLOYED PERSONS	438 0	440 5	442 1										
LABOR MANAGEMENT DISPUTE 2/	0 0	0 0	0 0										
PERSONS EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE 2/	24 7	27 4	27 9										
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS	24 8	24 3	23 7										
% OF LABOR FORCE, UNADJUSTED 3/	5 4%	5 2%	5.1%										
% OF LABOR FORCE, SEASONALLY ADJ	4 3%	4.0%	4 2%										
U S. UNADJUSTED	6 5%	6.4%	6 2%										
U S. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	5 7%	5 8%	5.8%										

2002 ANNUAL DATA	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/	455 3	458 0	459 3	462 6	464 4	472 0	475 8	470 1	461.4	463.6	463 6	460.3	463 9
EMPLOYED PERSONS	429.4	431.0	433.0	441.1	445.5	451.4	456 6	454 0	444 9	444 3	441 8	436 8	442.5
LABOR MANAGEMENT DISPUTE 2/	0.0	0.0	0 0	0 0	0.0	0 0	0 0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PERSONS EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE 2/	28.1	25.7	23 0	28 5	35 0	41 5	38 7	41.2	37.7	35.3	33.6	29.1	33.1
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS	25 9	26 9	26 3	21 5	18 9	20 6	19 2	16 2	16.5	19.3	21 8	23 5	21 4
% OF LABOR FORCE, UNADJUSTED 3/	5.7%	5.9%	5.7%	4.7%	4 1%	4 4%	4 0%	3 4%	3 6%	4 2%	4.7%	5.1%	4.6%
% OF LABOR FORCE, SEASONALLY ADJ	4 6%	4 6%	4 8%	4.6%	4 6%	4 7%	4 6%	4 4%	4 5%	4 6%	4 7%	4 7%	4 6%
U.S. UNADJUSTED	6 3%	6 1%	6.1%	5.7%	5 5%	6 0%	5 9%	5 7%	5 4%	5 3%	5 6%	5 7%	5 8%
U S. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	5 6%	5 6%	5.7%	5.9%	5 8%	5 8%	5 8%	5.8%	5.7%	5 8%	5.9%	6.0%	5.8%

2001 ANNUAL DATA	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/	463.0	463 0	463.2	464 9	466 0	471 0	473 5	468 0	458.1	458 3	457.6	455.2	463.5
EMPLOYED PERSONS	436 4	436.0	437 5	443 1	446 6	450 8	454 5	450 8	440 9	439.2	436 1	431.9	442.0
LABOR MANAGEMENT DISPUTE 2/	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0	0.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PERSONS EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE 2/	36 4	34.6	36 8	43.4	44.8	49 6	56 7	55.2	54 4	52 9	45 6	40 9	46 0
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS	26.6	27 1	25.7	21 8	19 4	20 2	19 0	17 2	17 2	19.1	21 5	23 4	21.5
% OF LABOR FORCE, UNADJUSTED 3/	5 7%	5 8%	5.5%	4 7%	4 2%	4 3%	4 0%	3 7%	3 8%	4 2%	4 7%	5.1%	4 6%
% OF LABOR FORCE, SEASONALLY ADJ	4 7%	4 6%	4 6%	4 7%	4 7%	4 6%	4 5%	4 6%	4 7%	4 6%	4 7%	4 7%	4 6%
U.S. UNADJUSTED	4 7%	4 6%	4 5%	4 2%	4 1%	4 7%	4 7%	4 9%	4.7%	5 0%	5 3%	5 4%	4.7%
U.S. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	4 1%	4 2%	4 2%	4 4%	4 4%	4 6%	4 6%	4 9%	5 0%	5 4%	5 6%	5 8%	4 8%

2000 ANNUAL DATA	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/	469 2	472 6	476 3	478.1	481 1	485.9	491 1	485 3	474 6	471 4	468 8	463 6	476 5
EMPLOYED PERSONS	440 2	442 9	448 3	454 4	459 4	463 1	469 0	465 7	455.3	450 6	445 8	439.7	452 9
LABOR MANAGEMENT DISPUTE 2/	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0	0 0	0 0	0.0	0.0
PERSONS EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE 2/	41 9	36 8	38 8	43 1	43 2	42 6	41 3	42 3	46 7	48.0	36 5	36.1	41 5
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS	29 1	29 7	28 0	23 7	21 7	22.8	22 1	19 7	19.3	20 8	23 0	23.9	23.6
% OF LABOR FORCE, UNADJUSTED 3/	6 2%	6 3%	5 9%	5 0%	4 5%	4 7%	4 5%	4 1%	4 1%	4 4%	4 9%	5.2%	5.0%
% OF LABOR FORCE, SEASONALLY ADJ	5 1%	5 1%	5 0%	5.0%	5 0%	5 0%	5 0%	5 0%	4 9%	4 9%	4 9%	4 7%	5.0%
U.S UNADJUSTED	4 5%	4 4%	4 3%	3.7%	3 8%	4 1%	4 2%	4 1%	3 8%	3 6%	3.7%	3 7%	4 0%
U S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	4 0%	4 1%	4 0%	3 8%	4 1%	4 0%	4 1%	4 1%	4 0%	3 9%	4 0%	3.9%	4 0%

1/ESTIMATES BASED ON NATIONAL HOUSEHOLD SAMPLE, CENSUS AND OTHER RELATIONSHIPS. INCLUDES SELF-EMPLOYED, UNPAID FAMILY AND DOMESTIC WORKERS. CURRENT MONTH PRELIMINARY. REVISED TO 2003 BENCHMARKS.
2/NONADDITIVE: INCLUDED IN TOTAL EMPLOYMENT
3/COMPUTED FROM WHOLE (UNROUNDED) NUMBERS. RESIDENCE SERIES BEGAN IN JANUARY 1970
SOURCE: LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTES S-1 AND S-2 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION.

TABLE III
MONTANA
STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY
(IN THOUSANDS)

2003 (Preliminary)

02 BM

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
(ESTABLISHMENT DATA)													
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL JOBS	384.7	386.5	386.4										
TOTAL PRIVATE	302.6	301.6	301.0										
GOODS PRODUCING	44.4	43.5	43.2										
SERVICE PROVIDING	340.3	343.0	343.1										
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	6.2	6.2	6.0										
MINING	5.0	5.0	5.0										
CONSTRUCTION	19.3	18.7	18.8										
CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS	6.1	5.9	5.5										
HEAVY AND CIVIL ENGINEERING	3.3	3.1	3.4										
SPECIALTY TRADE CONTRACTORS	10.0	9.7	9.9										
MANUFACTURING	18.9	18.6	18.5										
DURABLE GOODS	12.5	12.2	12.3										
WOOD PRODUCT MANUFACTURING	4.9	4.9	4.9										
NONDURABLE GOODS	6.6	6.4	6.2										
TRADE, TRANS. & UTILITIES	83.1	82.1	81.8										
WHOLESALE TRADE	15.2	15.0	15.1										
RETAIL TRADE	52.4	51.9	51.5										
TRANS., WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	15.5	15.2	15.2										
INFORMATION	7.8	7.9	7.9										
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	19.6	19.8	19.6										
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERV.	31.2	31.5	31.4										
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	52.3	52.4	52.4										
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	3.7	3.9	3.8										
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	48.6	48.5	48.6										
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	48.3	48.6	48.7										
ACCOMMODATION	8.8	8.6	8.7										
FOOD SERV. & DRINKING PLACES	31.7	31.9	31.9										
OTHER SERVICES	15.9	15.8	15.9										
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	82.1	84.9	85.4										
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	12.1	12.1	12.3										
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	23.2	24.8	25.2										
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	46.8	48.0	47.9										

State government includes state college staff and student workers.

SOURCE: CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (CES) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-4 ON SOURCES OF DATA, PAGE A1 BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION.
ALSO REFERENCE CES-790 PROGRAM DEFINITION ON GLOSSARY OF TERMS PAGE.

TABLE IV
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)*
EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY
(IN THOUSANDS)
2003 (Preliminary)

02 BM

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
(ESTABLISHMENT DATA)													
BILLINGS MSA (Yellowstone County)													
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	68 2	68 1	68 6										
TOTAL PRIVATE	59 9	59.4	59.8										
GOODS PRODUCING	6.6	6.3	5.6										
SERVICE PROVIDING	61 6	61.8	62.0										
NAT. RESOURCES, MINING & CONST.	3 7	3 4	3.7										
MANUFACTURING	2 9	2 9	2.9										
TRADE, TRANS. & UTILITIES	17 9	17 6	17 6										
WHOLESALE TRADE	5 2	5 1	5.1										
RETAIL TRADE	9 1	9 0	9 0										
TRANS., WAREHOUSING & UTIL	3 6	3 5	3.5										
INFORMATION	1 2	1.2	1 2										
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	3.7	3 7	3 7										
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERV	8 6	8 6	8 7										
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	10 2	10 3	10 3										
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	8 5	8 5	8 5										
OTHER SERVICES	3 2	3 2	3.2										
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	8 3	8 7	8 8										
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	1 9	1 8	1 9										
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	1 4	1 8	1 8										
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	5 0	5 1	5.1										
MISSOULA MSA (Missoula County)													
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	50 7	51.3	52 4										
TOTAL PRIVATE	41 6	41.7	41 9										
GOODS PRODUCING	5.5	5 4	5.5										
SERVICE PROVIDING	45 2	45 9	46 9										
NAT. RESOURCES, MINING & CONST	2.7	2 6	2 7										
MANUFACTURING	2.8	2 8	2.8										
TRADE, TRANS. & UTILITIES	11 8	11.7	11 8										
WHOLESALE TRADE	1 9	1.9	2 0										
RETAIL TRADE	7.4	7.3	7 3										
TRANS., WAREHOUSING & UTIL	2 5	2 5	2 5										
INFORMATION	1 3	1 4	1 3										
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2 3	2 4	2 4										
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERV	4 7	4 6	4 7										
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	7 5	7 6	7 6										
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	6 2	6 3	6 3										
OTHER SERVICES	2 3	2 3	2 3										
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	9 1	9.6	10.5										
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	1 4	1 5	1 5										
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	4 2	4 5	5 4										
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	3 5	3 6	3 6										

State government includes state college staff and student workers.

* A single-county Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is determined by the U S Office of Budget and Program Planning and must have a central city with a population of 50,000 or more Single-county MSAs are named after their central cities. Billings and Missoula MSA employment is produced by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry for use as a state economic indicator

SOURCE CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (CES) DATA SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-5 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION ALSO REFERENCE CES-790 PROGRAM DEFINITION ON "GLOSSARY OF TERMS" PAGE.

TABLE V
MONTANA
STATEWIDE FEMALE EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY
(IN THOUSANDS)

2003 (Preliminary)

02 BM

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
(ESTABLISHMENT DATA)													
TOTAL NONFARM	197.2	198.6	198.2										
TOTAL PRIVATE	151.7	151.6	150.9										
GOODS PRODUCING	7.8	7.9	7.5										
SERVICE-PROVIDING	189.4	190.7	190.6										
NAT. RESOURCES & MINING	0.5	0.5	0.5										
CONSTRUCTION	2.6	2.7	2.6										
MANUFACTURING	4.7	4.7	4.4										
TRADE, TRANS. & UTILITIES	33.8	32.9	32.9										
INFORMATION	3.5	3.6	3.6										
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	13.4	13.6	13.3										
PROF. & BUSINESS SERV.	15.7	16.2	15.9										
EDUCATION* & HEALTH SERV.	39.5	39.5	39.6										
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	28.3	28.5	28.4										
OTHER SERVICES	9.6	9.4	9.6										
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	45.5	47.0	47.3										

***Private Education**

FEMALE EMPLOYMENT IS PRODUCED BY THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY FOR USE AS A STATE ECONOMIC INDICATOR

SOURCE: CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (CES) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-5 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION. ALSO REFERENCE CES-790 PROGRAM DEFINITION ON "GLOSSARY OF TERMS" PAGE

TABLE VI
MONTANA HOURS & EARNINGS

For Private Nonagricultural Production Workers

	Production Workers (In Thousands)				Average Weekly Earnings			
	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2003	Mar. 2003	Mar. 2002	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2003	Mar. 2003	Mar. 2002
TOTAL PRIVATE	247.6	247.6	247 3	255.1	$393.08	$401.31	$404.48	$382.17
GOODS PRODUCING	32.9	32.5	32.6	34 5	$620.68	$617.34	$620.68	$625.86
SERVICE-PROVIDING	243.2	243.7	243.4	249.4	$315.88	$325 47	$327.37	$303.58
NAT. RESOURCES & MINING	4.9	5.0	4 7	4.5	$898.48	$939.37	$929.96	$907.30
CONSTRUCTION	14 0	13.6	13.8	14.5	$587.83	$578.82	$599 94	$618.26
MANUFACTURING	13.9	13.9	14.1	15.4	$555.61	$539.14	$537.42	$550.80
TRADE, TRANS. & UTILITIES	68.7	68.6	68.4	71.2	$384 84	$395.60	$406.64	$367.90
INFORMATION	6.5	6.6	6.5	5.8	$545.03	$547.23	$533.40	$628.35
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	15.2	15.3	15.2	14.4	$430.77	$436.91	$453.70	$386.14
PROF. & BUSINESS SERV.	25.3	25.5	25 4	27.8	$406.63	$427.18	$426.51	$371.01
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERV.	44.0	43.8	43.9	44.4	$431.19	$442.55	$440.89	$404 16
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	42.2	42.6	42.4	43.7	$172.58	$182.19	$179.34	$182.36
OTHER SERVICES	12.8	12.7	12.7	13.4	$293.89	$303.24	$296.32	$312.19

	Average Weekly Hours				Average Hourly Earnings			
	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2003	Mar. 2003	Mar. 2002	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2003	Mar. 2003	Mar. 2002
TOTAL PRIVATE	31.0	31.5	31.6	31.3	$12.68	$12.74	$12.80	$12.21
GOODS PRODUCING	37.1	36.9	37.1	38.0	$16.73	$16.73	$16.73	$16.47
SERVICE-PROVIDING	26.5	27.1	27.1	26.7	$11 92	$12.01	$12.08	$11.37
NAT. RESOURCES & MINING	40.6	42.2	42.6	41.6	$22.13	$22.26	$21.83	$21.81
CONSTRUCTION	33.9	33 4	34.4	37.2	$17.34	$17.33	$17.44	$16.62
MANUFACTURING	39.1	38.4	37 9	37.7	$14.21	$14.04	$14.18	$14.61
TRADE, TRANS. & UTILITIES	31.7	32 4	32.9	32.3	$12.14	$12.21	$12.36	$11.39
INFORMATION	35.3	34.9	33.4	36.3	$15.44	$15.68	$15.97	$17.31
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	34.6	36.5	36.5	35 2	$12.45	$11.97	$12.43	$10.97
PROF. & BUSINESS SERV.	30.3	31.0	31.5	29.8	$13.42	$13.78	$13.54	$12.45
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERV.	33.4	33.4	33.3	31.6	$12.91	$13.25	$13.24	$12.79
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	22.5	23.6	23.2	23.9	$7.67	$7.72	$7.73	$7.63
OTHER SERVICES	25.6	26.3	26.2	28.1	$11.48	$11.53	$11.31	$11.11

SOURCE: CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (CES) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-4 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION. ALSO REFERENCE CES-790 PROGRAM DEFINITION ON "GLOSSARY OF TERMS" PAGE.

TABLE VII
THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - U.S.
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ALL ITEMS
(1982-1984 = 100)

	2003		2002		2001	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
January	181.7	177.7	177.1	173.2	175.1	171.7
February	183.1	179.2	177.8	173.8	175.8	172.4
March	184.2	180.3	178.8	174.7	176.2	172.6
April			179.8	175.8	176.9	173.5
May			179.8	175.8	177.7	174.4
June			179.9	175.9	178.0	174.6
July			180.1	176.1	177.5	173.8
August			180.7	176.6	177.5	173.8
September			181.0	177.0	178.3	174.8
October			181.3	177.3	177.7	174.0
November			181.3	177.4	177.4	173.7
December			180.9	177.0	176.7	172.9
Dec-to-Dec %			2.4%	2.4%	1.6%	1.3%
ANNUAL AVERAGE			179.9	175.9	177.1	173.5
Ann Avg %			1.4%	1.4%	2.8%	2.7%

Expenditure Category CPI-U Index	Relative Importance	Mar 2003	% Change From Feb 2003	% Change From Mar 2002	Ann Average % 2002	Ann Average % 2001
ALL ITEMS	100%	184.2	0.6%	3.0%	1.6%	2.8%
Food & Beverages	16%	179.2	0.2%	1.5%	1.8%	3.1%
Housing	40%	184.3	0.6%	2.9%	2.2%	4.0%
Apparel	5%	123.6	2.5%	-3.6%	-2.6%	-1.8%
Transportation	17%	161.0	1.3%	7.0%	-0.9%	0.7%
Medical Care	6%	294.2	0.2%	4.2%	4.7%	4.6%
Recreation	6%	107.4	0.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.5%
Education and Communication	5%	104.4	0.3%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%
Other Goods & Services	5%	257.3	0.1%	4.1%	3.8%	4.2%

Purchasing Power Of Consumer Dollar	Mar 2003	Feb 2003	Mar 2002	Ann Average 2002	Ann Average 2001
(1982-84 = $1.00)	$0.54	$0.55	$0.56	$0.56	$0.56

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) IS A MEASURE OF THE AVERAGE CHANGE IN THE PRICE PAID BY URBAN CONSUMERS FOR A FIXED MARKET BASKET OF GOODS AND SERVICES. THE CPI IS CALCULATED MONTHLY FOR TWO POPULATION GROUPS, ONE CONSISTING ONLY OF THE URBAN PORTION OF APPROXIMATELY 80 PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL THE EMPLOYMENT OF WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS. GROUP 1 INCLUDES ALL OF THE PEOPLE IN THE CPI-U AND IN RECENT YEARS THE NEED FOR A BROADER MEASURE OF INFLATION HAS RESULTED IN THE CREATION OF THE CONSUMER INDEX (CPI-U). INTRODUCED IN 1978 AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SPENDING PATTERNS OF APPROXIMATELY 87 PERCENT OF THE NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION. THE CPI-U INCLUDES PERSONS WHO ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE CPI-W.

SOURCE FOR DATA: SEE TECHNICAL NOTE [illegible] ON "CPI REVISION IN THE CURRENT EMPLOYMENT SURVEY" FROM THIS ISSUE.

Note: The Bureau of Labor Statistics has begun using a new formula for calculating the basic components of the CPI-U and the CPI-W effective with the data starting January 1999

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TABLE VIII

Unemployment Insurance

Initial Claims

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992
January	6,268	6,393	6,098	5,977	5,915	6,749	7,546	7,495	6,588	6,591	6,057	6,594
February	3,618	3,147	3,200	3,088	3,108	3,214	3,270	3,938	3,370	3,666	3,170	3,265
March	3,496	3,542	2,700	2,352	2,793	3,220	2,724	2,869	3,002	2,948	2,784	2,881
April		3,726	2,862	2,354	2,941	2,916	3,360	2,826	2,948	3,081	2,829	2,949
May		2,266	2,085	1,944	1,982	1,913	2,075	2,351	2,330	2,265	2,033	2,129
June		2,221	1,982	1,993	2,252	2,449	2,280	2,222	2,689	2,470	2,120	2,484
July		2,250	2,512	2,594	2,029	2,143	2,337	2,254	2,281	2,317	2,246	2,423
August		1,729	1,850	2,101	1,535	1,596	1,680	1,631	1,842	1,662	1,466	1,650
September		1,773	1,529	2,307	1,544	1,740	1,700	1,825	1,579	1,626	1,744	1,758
October		3,506	3,606	2,983	2,689	3,580	3,142	3,392	3,245	2,943	2,860	2,822
November		4,549	4,159	3,618	3,378	3,997	3,802	4,604	4,835	4,100	4,454	3,215
December		5,004	4,243	4,678	4,065	4,952	4,851	4,883	5,036	4,226	4,365	4,408

Continued Claims

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992
January	53,085	53,709	51,419	52,211	54,354	47,781	57,513	60,632	56,167	52,265	48,165	47,135
February	53,784	52,948	48,992	46,555	48,595	48,151	56,567	59,295	56,942	56,866	49,313	48,102
March	64,009	59,681	47,135	41,532	NA	57,371	62,496	58,121	53,936	63,207	59,540	53,621
April		49,457	45,509	34,927	34,300	36,484	44,463	50,358	41,202	42,379	38,521	36,493
May		31,990	29,667	25,446	30,514	31,079	31,603	34,556	40,259	36,461	30,593	28,913
June		30,053	25,539	20,656	26,803	26,824	31,786	31,675	29,430	33,520	31,912	31,106
July		26,277	30,168	24,331	22,030	22,862	25,500	30,194	28,631	26,980	25,848	27,169
August		21,981	23,194	20,976	24,426	24,425	23,702	23,881	29,528	29,753	27,711	24,322
September		21,891	20,999	18,885	16,430	17,119	18,950	22,763	20,188	20,614	20,279	22,937
October		21,278	22,919	22,845	19,136	18,228	18,075	22,312	24,457	20,779	20,592	20,689
November		31,258	29,689	27,563	25,507	33,293	27,425	30,126	33,400	35,450	34,318	26,202
December		51,251	48,795	41,649	32,538	37,779	38,941	54,332	41,797	39,504	43,370	42,284

Trust Fund Growth Over Last Year (%)

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992
January	9.8	8.2	6.7	7.5	10.0	7.7	7.1	7.4	5.2	10.2	6.3	-1.6
February	11.7	9.4	4.4	10.1	9.4	9.5	3.2	9.2	7.7	7.3	9.8	-1.7
March	0.2	18.4	5.4	10.1	12.1	10.5	9.7	9.4	9.3	7.5	8.5	-1.2
April		12.5	10.1	8.7	10.0	10.1	4.8	7.8	10.4	2.6	11.1	3.9
May		10.6	8.5	10.3	9.0	12.2	5.3	4.1	10.9	4.5	11.1	5.6
June		10.1	8.4	13.4	9.6	11.9	3.5	6.0	10.6	6.8	5.5	5.2
July		9.3	10.0	9.8	4.6	14.0	2.6	3.0	11.3	4.1	6.8	7.9
August		9.3	8.4	8.4	9.4	11.2	4.7	4.6	10.2	6.0	6.6	7.3
September		9.6	7.7	10.4	9.6	11.5	3.2	6.1	10.5	5.8	7.0	6.3
October		11.4	8.3	6.3	8.5	10.9	4.4	6.1	10.4	7.0	6.9	6.4
November		11.5	7.6	6.2	10.0	9.7	5.9	6.1	7.9	6.7	7.6	9.4
December		11.1	6.9	7.8	10.5	10.1	7.6	4.2	8.1	7.2	7.4	7.6

Source: This table was prepared by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau. Unemployment Insurance claims and payments data was derived from the ETA 5-159 (Employment and Training Administration Claims and Payment Activities) report. Trust Fund Growth data was derived from the ETA 2-112 (Employment and Training Administration Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary) report.

MONTANA LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY
LABOR FORCE STATISTICS

03 BM
Annual Average 2002

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
U.S. (in thousands)	144,863	136,485	8,378	5.8%
MONTANA	463,859	442,472	21,387	4.6%
YELLOWSTONE	68,501	65,947	2,554	3.7%
CASCADE	36,898	35,315	1,583	4.3%
MISSOULA	52,960	50,894	2,066	3.9%
BEAVERHEAD	4,781	4,589	192	4.0%
BIG HORN	5,094	4,343	751	14.7%
BLAINE	2,599	2,436	163	6.3%
BROADWATER	2,041	1,956	85	4.2%
CARBON	4,618	4,425	193	4.2%
CARTER	885	864	21	2.4%
CHOUTEAU	2,537	2,463	74	2.9%
CUSTER	5,772	5,589	183	3.2%
DANIELS	1,187	1,155	32	2.7%
DAWSON	4,918	4,796	122	2.5%
DEER LODGE	3,917	3,676	241	6.2%
FALLON	1,583	1,528	55	3.5%
FERGUS	5,989	5,700	289	4.8%
FLATHEAD	40,363	38,098	2,265	5.6%
GALLATIN	44,987	43,762	1,225	2.7%
GARFIELD	861	838	23	2.7%
GLACIER	5,130	4,620	510	9.9%
GOLDEN VALLEY	461	439	22	4.8%
GRANITE	1,138	1,060	78	6.9%
HILL	9,263	8,910	353	3.8%
JEFFERSON	5,010	4,787	223	4.5%
JUDITH BASIN	1,077	1,022	55	5.1%
LAKE	11,955	11,059	896	7.5%
LEWIS & CLARK	28,208	27,003	1,205	4.3%
LIBERTY	1,042	1,009	33	3.2%
LINCOLN	6,776	5,996	780	11.5%
MCCONE	1,145	1,126	19	1.7%
MADISON	3,841	3,700	141	3.7%
MEAGHER	969	914	55	5.7%
MINERAL	1,690	1,540	150	8.9%
MUSSELSHELL	1,745	1,611	134	7.7%
PARK	9,840	9,416	424	4.3%
PETROLEUM	290	282	8	2.8%
PHILLIPS	2,094	1,996	98	4.7%
PONDERA	3,153	3,012	141	4.5%
POWDER RIVER	1,147	1,118	29	2.5%
POWELL	2,460	2,312	148	6.0%
PRAIRIE	612	585	27	4.4%
RAVALLI	18,506	17,584	922	5.0%
RICHLAND	5,300	5,011	289	5.5%
ROOSEVELT	3,986	3,688	298	7.5%
ROSEBUD	4,536	4,243	293	6.5%
SANDERS	4,315	3,952	363	8.4%
SHERIDAN	1,899	1,837	62	3.3%
SILVER BOW	16,571	15,717	854	5.2%
STILLWATER	5,372	5,181	191	3.6%
SWEET GRASS	1,833	1,775	58	3.2%
TETON	3,102	2,991	111	3.6%
TOOLE	2,720	2,646	74	2.7%
TREASURE	421	405	16	3.8%
VALLEY	4,092	3,951	141	3.4%
WHEATLAND	1,127	1,071	56	5.0%
WIBAUX	547	528	19	3.5%
L & C/JEFFERSON LMA	33,218	31,790	1,428	4.3%

SOURCE: LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS) DATA. SEE TECHNICAL NOTE S-1 ON "SOURCES OF DATA" PAGE AT BACK OF THIS PUBLICATION

MONTANA LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY

LABOR FORCE STATISTICS

03 BM

Annual Average 2001

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
U.S. (in thousands)	143,734	136,933	6,801	4.7%
MONTANA	463,479	441,972	21,507	4.6%
YELLOWSTONE	67,802	65,457	2,345	3.5%
CASCADE	36,961	35,286	1,675	4.5%
MISSOULA	52,575	50,602	1,973	3.8%
BEAVERHEAD	5,034	4,875	159	3.2%
BIG HORN	5,263	4,356	907	17.2%
BLAINE	2,657	2,508	149	5.6%
BROADWATER	2,053	1,964	89	4.3%
CARBON	4,673	4,458	215	4.6%
CARTER	920	899	21	2.3%
CHOUTEAU	2,693	2,611	82	3.0%
CUSTER	5,899	5,686	213	3.6%
DANIELS	1,205	1,171	34	2.8%
DAWSON	4,889	4,760	129	2.6%
DEER LODGE	3,872	3,600	272	7.0%
FALLON	1,543	1,502	41	2.7%
FERGUS	6,089	5,732	357	5.9%
FLATHEAD	40,574	38,190	2,384	5.9%
GALLATIN	44,251	43,139	1,112	2.5%
GARFIELD	920	900	20	2.2%
GLACIER	5,224	4,629	595	11.4%
GOLDEN VALLEY	493	468	25	5.1%
GRANITE	1,144	1,055	89	7.8%
HILL	9,167	8,804	363	4.0%
JEFFERSON	4,914	4,686	228	4.6%
JUDITH BASIN	1,154	1,111	43	3.7%
LAKE	11,752	10,725	1,027	8.7%
LEWIS & CLARK	27,645	26,431	1,214	4.4%
LIBERTY	1,085	1,053	32	2.9%
LINCOLN	6,740	5,979	761	11.3%
MCCONE	1,167	1,139	28	2.4%
MADISON	4,011	3,876	135	3.4%
MEAGHER	1,045	985	60	5.7%
MINERAL	1,713	1,567	146	8.5%
MUSSELSHELL	1,753	1,636	117	6.7%
PARK	9,893	9,438	455	4.6%
PETROLEUM	306	299	7	2.3%
PHILLIPS	2,155	2,061	94	4.4%
PONDERA	3,195	3,059	136	4.3%
POWDER RIVER	1,157	1,135	22	1.9%
POWELL	2,315	2,200	115	5.0%
PRAIRIE	637	607	30	4.7%
RAVALLI	18,621	17,776	845	4.5%
RICHLAND	5,386	5,122	264	4.9%
ROOSEVELT	3,954	3,662	292	7.4%
ROSEBUD	4,609	4,281	328	7.1%
SANDERS	4,323	3,969	354	8.2%
SHERIDAN	1,929	1,867	62	3.2%
SILVER BOW	16,440	15,590	850	5.2%
STILLWATER	5,540	5,370	170	3.1%
SWEET GRASS	1,912	1,864	48	2.5%
TETON	3,167	3,056	111	3.5%
TOOLE	2,724	2,649	75	2.8%
TREASURE	482	467	15	3.1%
VALLEY	4,092	3,950	142	3.5%
WHEATLAND	1,223	1,182	41	3.4%
WIBAUX	544	530	14	2.6%
L & C/JEFFERSON LMA	32,559	31,117	1,442	4.4%

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MONTANA LABOR FORCE BY COUNTY

LABOR FORCE STATISTICS

03 BM

Annual Average 2000

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
U.S. (in thousands)	142,583	136,891	5,692	4.0%
MONTANA	476,508	452,860	23,648	5.0%
YELLOWSTONE	72,424	69,648	2,776	3.8%
CASCADE	37,372	35,467	1,905	5.1%
MISSOULA	55,218	53,352	1,866	3.4%
BEAVERHEAD	5,042	4,843	199	3.9%
BIG HORN	5,842	4,988	854	14.6%
BLAINE	2,919	2,720	199	6.8%
BROADWATER	2,143	2,043	100	4.7%
CARBON	4,851	4,598	253	5.2%
CARTER	1,090	1,067	23	2.1%
CHOUTEAU	2,941	2,849	92	3.1%
CUSTER	6,112	5,844	268	4.4%
DANIELS	1,322	1,282	40	3.0%
DAWSON	5,052	4,879	173	3.4%
DEER LODGE	3,983	3,656	327	8.2%
FALLON	1,664	1,604	60	3.6%
FERGUS	6,487	6,104	383	5.9%
FLATHEAD	38,397	36,011	2,386	6.2%
GALLATIN	43,510	42,318	1,192	2.7%
GARFIELD	1,087	1,045	42	3.9%
GLACIER	5,367	4,654	713	13.3%
GOLDEN VALLEY	595	561	34	5.7%
GRANITE	1,251	1,156	95	7.6%
HILL	8,971	8,514	457	5.1%
JEFFERSON	5,009	4,740	269	5.4%
JUDITH BASIN	1,236	1,182	54	4.4%
LAKE	12,592	11,808	784	6.2%
LEWIS & CLARK	28,686	27,465	1,221	4.3%
LIBERTY	1,221	1,181	40	3.3%
LINCOLN	6,974	6,150	824	11.8%
MCCONE	1,317	1,275	42	3.2%
MADISON	4,024	3,864	160	4.0%
MEAGHER	1,118	1,037	81	7.2%
MINERAL	1,672	1,520	152	9.1%
MUSSELSHELL	1,857	1,717	140	7.5%
PARK	10,399	9,837	562	5.4%
PETROLEUM	379	358	21	5.5%
PHILLIPS	2,372	2,257	115	4.8%
PONDERA	3,471	3,310	161	4.6%
POWDER RIVER	1,310	1,271	39	3.0%
POWELL	2,570	2,445	125	4.9%
PRAIRIE	704	674	30	4.3%
RAVALLI	17,966	17,013	953	5.3%
RICHLAND	5,720	5,360	360	6.3%
ROOSEVELT	4,331	3,914	417	9.6%
ROSEBUD	4,617	4,268	349	7.6%
SANDERS	4,293	3,941	352	8.2%
SHERIDAN	2,168	2,070	98	4.5%
SILVER BOW	17,068	16,022	1,046	6.1%
STILLWATER	4,851	4,613	238	4.9%
SWEET GRASS	1,836	1,789	47	2.6%
TETON	3,516	3,370	146	4.2%
TOOLE	2,942	2,839	103	3.5%
TREASURE	520	494	26	5.0%
VALLEY	4,267	4,091	176	4.1%
WHEATLAND	1,262	1,204	58	4.6%
WIBAUX	603	578	25	4.1%
L & C/JEFFERSON LMA	33,696	32,206	1,490	4.4%

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2002 ANNUAL MONTANA INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT
ALL EMPLOYEES

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
Total Nonfarm	381.7	383.3	385.6	390.7	398.8	405.1	400.1	401.1	402.8	402.3	399.5	395.8	395.6
Total Private	298.1	298.2	299.9	304.9	311.2	320.0	321.1	322.2	318.0	315.6	312.7	311.3	311.1
Goods Producing	44.0	43.5	43.4	45.3	47.8	50.4	50.8	51.3	50.3	50.0	48.5	47.2	47.7
Service-Providing	337.7	339.8	342.2	345.4	351.0	354.7	349.3	349.8	352.5	352.3	351.0	348.6	347.9
Natural Resources & Mining	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	6.0	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.2
Mining	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.0	5.1	5.5	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.1
Construction	18.2	18.0	18.1	19.9	21.9	23.5	24.1	24.5	23.9	23.8	22.6	21.6	21.7
Construction of Buildings	5.9	5.8	5.7	6.0	6.2	6.5	6.8	6.9	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.4	6.4
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.8	4.6	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.3	5.3	4.6	4.1	4.4
Specialty Trade Contractors	9.4	9.3	9.3	10.1	11.1	11.8	12.0	12.1	11.9	11.7	11.3	11.1	10.9
Manufacturing	19.9	19.6	19.5	19.6	19.9	20.3	20.3	20.4	20.0	19.8	19.6	19.3	19.9
Durable Goods	12.9	12.8	12.8	13.0	13.2	13.4	13.4	13.5	13.2	13.1	12.8	12.7	13.1
Nondurable Goods	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.6	6.8
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	82.6	82.1	82.6	83.9	85.3	86.1	86.1	86.1	85.5	85.3	86.1	86.5	84.9
Wholesale Trade	14.9	14.8	14.9	15.3	15.5	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.4	15.4	15.5	15.3	15.3
Retail Trade	52.0	51.6	51.9	52.8	53.8	54.5	54.6	54.6	54.2	54.1	54.7	55.3	53.7
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Bldg Material & Garden Equipment & Supplies Dealers	4.7	4.6	4.7	5.1	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.1
Food & Beverage Stores	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.7	8.8	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.8
General Merchandise Stores	9.6	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.9	10.1	10.5	10.4	9.8
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.2
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	15.7	15.7	15.8	15.8	16.0	16.0	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.8	15.9	15.9	15.9
Transportation & Warehousing	12.8	12.8	12.9	12.9	13.0	13.0	12.9	12.9	13.0	12.9	13.0	13.0	12.9
Information	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.8	7.8
Finance	18.8	18.9	19.0	19.2	19.4	19.6	19.8	19.5	19.5	19.7	19.7	19.7	19.4
Finance & Insurance	14.1	14.2	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.4	14.4	14.6	14.6	14.8	14.4
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.1	5.3	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	4.9	5.0
Professional & Business Services	31.3	31.6	31.7	31.9	32.0	32.8	32.6	32.9	32.7	33.4	32.6	32.2	32.3
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	16.0	16.2	16.1	16.1	15.9	16.2	16.2	16.1	16.3	16.6	16.6	16.5	16.2
Admin. & Support & Waste Mngmt. & Remediation Serv.	14.0	14.1	14.3	14.5	14.8	15.3	15.1	15.5	15.1	15.5	14.7	14.4	14.8
Educational & Health Services	51.4	51.8	51.9	52.2	52.3	52.0	50.8	51.2	52.0	52.4	52.4	52.6	51.9
Educational Services	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.4	2.9	3.0	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.6
Health Care & Social Services	47.9	47.9	48.2	48.4	48.7	48.6	47.9	48.2	48.2	48.6	48.5	48.7	48.3
Ambulatory Health Care	13.0	13.1	13.1	13.3	13.4	13.6	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.7	13.6	13.8	13.4
Hospitals	18.4	18.3	18.5	18.4	18.6	18.7	18.6	18.6	18.5	18.7	18.6	18.6	18.5
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.4
Social Assistance	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	7.8	7.3	7.6	7.8	7.9	8.1	8.0	7.9
Leisure and Hospitality	46.7	47.1	47.8	48.7	50.4	54.9	56.7	57.0	53.9	50.8	49.4	49.0	51.0
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	7.5	7.6	7.7	8.1	8.3	9.3	9.7	9.8	9.0	8.1	7.9	7.9	8.4
Accommodation & Food Services	39.2	39.5	40.1	40.6	42.1	45.6	47.0	47.2	44.9	42.7	41.5	41.1	42.6
Accommodation	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.3	11.8	12.7	12.6	11.2	9.8	9.0	8.7	10.1
Food Services & Drinking Places	30.3	30.5	31.1	31.6	32.8	33.8	34.3	34.6	33.7	32.9	32.5	32.4	32.5
Other Services	15.5	15.6	15.7	15.9	16.1	16.3	16.3	16.3	16.3	16.3	16.3	16.3	16.1
Total Government	83.6	85.1	85.7	85.8	87.6	85.1	79.0	78.9	84.8	86.7	86.8	84.5	84.5
Total Federal Government	12.4	12.4	12.6	12.6	13.4	15.0	15.4	15.1	15.0	14.4	13.8	13.4	13.8
Total State Government	24.2	24.8	24.8	25.1	24.8	23.4	21.4	21.4	25.0	25.1	25.4	23.6	24.1
Total Local Government	47.0	47.9	48.3	48.1	49.4	46.7	42.2	42.4	44.8	47.2	47.6	47.5	46.6

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2001 ANNUAL MONTANA INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT
ALL EMPLOYEES

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
Total Nonfarm	379.8	381.1	385.1	388.0	396.1	400.6	395.3	397.3	397.4	395.3	392.7	391.1	391.7
Total Private	295.7	295.8	299.1	302.3	308.6	316.5	317.3	319.0	313.5	309.5	307.3	306.2	307.6
Goods Producing	45.3	45.0	45.6	47.0	49.1	50.9	51.8	52.3	51.4	51.0	49.3	47.5	48.9
Service-Providing	334.5	336.1	339.5	341.0	347.0	349.7	343.5	345.0	346.0	344.3	343.4	343.6	342.8
Natural Resources & Mining	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.7	6.0	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.2
Mining	4.8	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.2
Construction	17.7	17.4	18.4	20.2	21.9	23.1	23.7	24.0	23.4	22.8	21.9	20.4	21.2
Construction of Buildings	5.9	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.2	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.3	6.2
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	2.8	2.8	3.2	4.2	4.9	5.3	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.1	4.4	3.6	4.4
Specialty Trade Contractors	9.0	8.8	9.3	10.0	10.8	11.3	11.6	11.7	11.3	11.3	11.0	10.5	10.5
Manufacturing	21.6	21.6	21.4	21.1	21.2	21.4	21.6	21.8	21.5	21.5	20.9	20.8	21.4
Durable Goods	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.3	14.4	14.5	14.6	14.7	14.5	14.3	13.8	13.7	14.4
Nondurable Goods	7.1	7.1	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.0
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	83.9	83.0	83.5	84.6	85.9	86.5	86.2	86.3	85.2	85.0	85.6	85.9	85.1
Wholesale Trade	15.2	15.0	15.2	15.5	15.7	15.8	15.6	15.6	15.3	15.3	15.3	15.2	15.4
Retail Trade	52.6	51.9	52.0	52.6	53.5	54.2	54.6	54.8	53.9	53.5	54.3	54.6	53.5
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.2
Bldg Material & Garden Equipment & Supplies Dealers	4.7	4.7	4.8	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.8	5.0
Food & Beverage Stores	9.0	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.1
General Merchandise Stores	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.7	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.5	10.5	9.8
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.2
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	16.1	16.1	16.3	16.5	16.7	16.5	16.0	15.9	16.0	16.2	16.0	16.1	16.2
Transportation & Warehousing	13.2	13.1	13.1	13.1	13.2	13.1	12.9	12.9	13.1	13.2	13.0	13.2	13.1
Information	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.9	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.8	7.9	8.0	7.8	7.9
Finance	18.4	18.3	18.4	18.5	18.8	19.1	19.3	19.2	19.1	18.8	18.8	19.0	18.8
Finance & Insurance	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.9	14.0	14.1	14.0	14.0	13.9	14.0	14.1	13.9
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9
Professional & Business Services	30.4	31.0	31.4	31.7	32.1	32.8	32.4	32.6	32.0	31.8	31.6	31.7	31.8
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	15.0	15.5	15.7	15.7	15.4	15.7	15.6	15.6	15.5	15.4	15.5	15.9	15.5
Admin. & Support & Waste Mngmt. & Remediation Serv.	14.2	14.3	14.5	14.8	15.4	15.8	15.5	15.7	15.2	15.2	14.9	14.6	15.0
Educational & Health Services	48.4	48.7	49.3	49.5	49.6	49.4	48.7	49.3	50.0	50.4	51.1	51.4	49.7
Educational Services	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.3	2.6	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.5
Health Care & Social Services	45.0	45.2	45.6	45.8	45.9	46.1	46.1	46.5	46.7	46.6	47.3	47.5	46.2
Ambulatory Health Care	12.5	12.5	12.6	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.8	12.9	12.9	12.8	12.9	13.0	12.8
Hospitals	17.6	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	18.0	18.1	18.0	18.0	17.9	18.2	18.2	17.9
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.3
Social Assistance	6.8	6.9	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.1	6.9	7.2	7.5	7.6	7.8	7.9	7.3
Leisure and Hospitality	45.9	46.2	47.1	47.1	48.9	53.3	54.9	55.3	51.9	48.7	47.0	46.9	49.4
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.5	7.8	8.8	9.2	9.2	8.3	7.6	7.3	7.4	7.9
Accommodation & Food Services	38.8	39.1	39.9	39.6	41.1	44.5	45.7	46.1	43.6	41.1	39.7	39.5	41.6
Accommodation	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.7	9.3	11.6	12.3	12.4	11.0	9.4	8.5	8.4	9.8
Food Services & Drinking Places	30.1	30.3	31.0	30.9	31.8	32.9	33.4	33.7	32.6	31.7	31.2	31.1	31.7
Other Services	15.5	15.6	15.9	16.1	16.3	16.5	16.1	16.0	16.1	15.9	15.9	16.0	16.0
Total Government	84.1	85.3	86.0	85.7	87.5	84.1	78.0	78.3	83.9	85.8	85.4	84.9	84.1
Total Federal Government	12.2	12.1	12.3	12.4	13.2	14.7	15.0	14.9	14.6	13.6	13.1	12.7	13.4
Total State Government	24.5	24.8	25.2	25.0	24.6	22.3	21.1	21.4	23.6	24.6	24.6	24.5	23.8
Total Local Government	47.4	48.4	48.5	48.3	49.7	47.1	41.9	42.0	45.7	47.6	47.7	47.7	46.8

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2002 ANNUAL MONTANA INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT
FEMALE WORKERS

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL NONFARM	196.3	197.5	198.7	200.3	204.8	206.1	201.0	201.2	203.4	203.9	202.7	201.6	201.4
TOTAL PRIVATE	150.3	150.4	151.2	152.9	156.5	159.9	159.8	160.4	158.2	156.7	154.9	155.1	155.5
GOODS PRODUCING	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.6	7.9	8.3	8.5	8.6	8.4	8.3	8.1	8.0	8.0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	189.1	190.1	191.4	192.7	196.9	197.8	192.5	192.6	195.0	195.6	194.6	193.6	193.4
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
MINING	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
CONSTRUCTION	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.7	2.7
MANUFACTURING	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.8	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.8	4.7
DURABLE GOODS	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.9	3.1	3.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.5
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	35.3	34.8	35.0	35.1	36.4	36.4	36.0	35.7	35.4	35.5	35.1	35.4	35.5
WHOLESALE TRADE	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7
RETAIL TRADE	28.5	27.9	28.1	28.3	29.0	29.1	28.8	28.2	27.7	28.0	27.5	27.7	28.2
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.0	3.6
INFORMATION	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.6
FINANCE	13.2	13.3	13.5	13.5	13.7	13.6	13.6	13.2	13.1	13.2	13.2	13.4	13.4
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	15.7	15.8	15.6	15.7	15.7	16.1	15.9	16.2	16.4	16.8	16.4	16.4	16.0
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	39.0	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.5	39.4	38.7	39.2	39.3	39.7	39.6	39.8	39.3
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	26.0	26.1	26.4	27.3	28.8	31.7	32.9	33.4	31.8	29.7	29.1	29.0	29.3
OTHER SERVICES	10.3	10.4	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.7	10.6	10.4	10.2	10.1	10.0	9.8	10.4
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	46.0	47.1	47.5	47.4	48.3	46.2	41.2	40.8	45.2	47.2	47.8	46.5	45.9
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	5.0	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.1
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	12.0	12.4	12.5	12.6	12.5	11.6	10.7	10.3	12.6	12.6	12.8	11.7	12.0
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	29.3	30.0	30.3	30.1	30.8	29.0	24.8	24.9	27.1	29.3	29.9	29.8	28.8

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FEMALE WORKERS

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mer	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL NONFARM	194.6	192.7	194.4	195.0	196.7	196.2	190.1	191.4	195.7	197.5	198.1	198.8	194.9
TOTAL PRIVATE	148.6	148.2	149.8	150.5	152.4	157.0	157.0	158.5	156.1	154.7	153.7	154.4	153.4
GOODS PRODUCING	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.1	7.9	8.0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	187.0	187.6	189.5	190.3	192.8	194.4	188.7	190.3	192.5	192.9	192.7	193.3	191.1
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6
MINING	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5
CONSTRUCTION	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.5
MANUFACTURING	5.1	5.2	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.9
DURABLE GOODS	3.6	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	36.4	35.4	35.9	36.3	36.8	37.3	37.2	37.6	36.8	36.8	37.0	37.8	36.8
WHOLESALE TRADE	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8
RETAIL TRADE	28.8	28.2	28.5	28.7	29.2	29.6	29.8	30.0	29.7	29.6	29.9	30.5	29.4
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	3.8	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.6
INFORMATION	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.7
FINANCE	12.6	12.7	12.8	12.6	12.7	13.2	13.3	13.4	13.4	13.2	13.3	13.5	13.1
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	14.8	15.2	15.6	15.5	15.6	15.8	15.2	15.6	15.9	16.1	15.8	15.8	15.6
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	36.8	36.8	37.1	37.5	37.2	37.5	37.6	38.1	38.2	38.1	38.7	38.8	37.7
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	26.7	26.6	26.9	27.0	28.1	30.7	31.2	31.4	29.3	27.9	26.7	26.4	28.2
OTHER SERVICES	10.0	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.3	10.1	10.1	10.3	10.4	10.5	10.6	10.3
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	46.0	47.1	47.5	47.5	48.4	45.9	40.3	40.3	44.9	46.7	47.1	46.8	45.7
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.9	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.0	4.9	4.8	5.0
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	12.3	12.6	12.5	12.7	12.5	11.3	10.5	10.5	11.8	12.4	12.5	12.3	12.0
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	29.2	29.9	30.3	30.2	31.0	29.1	24.2	24.3	27.7	29.3	29.7	29.7	28.7

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PRODUCTION WORKERS

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	252.6	253.5	255.0	258.6	263.7	270.7	271.2	271.5	266.1	262.5	258.1	256.0	261.5
GOODS PRODUCING	35.3	34.8	34.4	36.2	38.5	40.3	40.5	41.0	40.0	39.3	37.4	35.4	37.7
SERVICE-PROVIDING	217.3	218.7	220.6	222.4	225.2	230.4	230.7	230.5	226.1	223.2	220.7	220.6	223.8
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.7	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.1	4.9
MINING	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.0
CONSTRUCTION	14.8	14.5	14.5	16.3	18.0	19.2	19.7	20.1	19.6	19.0	17.7	15.9	17.4
MANUFACTURING	15.9	15.7	15.4	15.4	15.8	15.9	15.7	15.8	15.4	15.2	14.7	14.4	15.4
DURABLE GOODS	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.5	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.9	10.6	10.5	10.0	9.9	10.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	5.4	5.3	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.1	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.9
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	70.9	70.7	71.1	72.2	73.1	73.7	73.5	73.3	72.6	72.1	72.4	72.9	72.4
WHOLESALE TRADE	12.3	12.3	12.4	12.5	12.4	12.4	12.2	11.9	11.6	11.4	11.2	10.9	12.0
RETAIL TRADE	44.6	44.4	44.7	45.8	46.7	47.3	47.5	47.7	47.3	47.2	47.7	48.5	46.6
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	14.0	14.0	14.0	13.9	14.0	14.0	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.8
INFORMATION	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.0
FINANCE	14.0	14.3	14.4	14.4	14.6	14.7	14.9	14.4	14.5	14.6	14.8	14.8	14.5
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	27.1	27.6	27.8	27.6	27.6	28.3	27.9	28.1	27.7	27.9	26.7	26.4	27.6
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	44.0	44.0	44.4	44.4	44.8	44.7	43.9	44.2	44.0	44.4	43.9	44.2	44.2
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	42.3	43.0	43.7	44.5	45.7	49.4	50.8	51.0	47.9	44.9	43.4	42.9	45.8
OTHER SERVICES	13.1	13.2	13.4	13.5	13.5	13.6	13.5	13.4	13.4	13.3	13.3	13.2	13.3

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PRODUCTION WORKERS

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	248.9	249.0	252.1	254.9	260.6	268.8	270.1	271.6	266.2	262.8	260.8	259.8	260.6
GOODS PRODUCING	35.9	35.5	36.1	37.5	39.2	40.8	41.2	41.9	41.6	41.2	40.1	38.4	39.1
SERVICE-PROVIDING	213.0	213.5	216.0	217.4	221.4	228.0	228.9	229.7	224.6	221.6	220.7	221.4	221.5
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.4	4.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.8
MINING	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.0	3.8	3.9
CONSTRUCTION	14.2	13.8	14.7	16.3	17.8	19.0	19.3	19.7	19.4	18.9	18.3	16.7	17.3
MANUFACTURING	17.0	17.0	16.9	16.8	18.8	16.8	16.9	17.2	17.2	17.2	16.8	16.9	17.0
DURABLE GOODS	11.8	11.7	11.9	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.9	11.9	11.6	11.2	11.2	11.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	5.2	5.3	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.3
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	71.8	71.0	71.6	72.1	73.4	74.2	74.3	74.1	73.2	73.5	74.0	74.3	73.2
WHOLESALE TRADE	12.4	12.5	12.5	12.7	12.9	13.0	12.9	12.8	12.6	12.7	12.6	12.5	12.7
RETAIL TRADE	45.2	44.4	44.7	45.2	46.0	46.6	47.3	47.3	46.5	46.3	47.2	47.5	46.2
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	14.2	14.1	14.4	14.2	14.5	14.6	14.1	14.0	14.1	14.5	14.2	14.3	14.3
INFORMATION	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9
FINANCE	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.3	14.5	14.4	14.4	14.2	14.3	14.2	14.1
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	26.6	27.1	27.5	27.7	28.3	28.9	28.3	28.6	28.1	27.9	27.5	27.2	27.8
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	41.2	41.4	41.8	41.9	42.2	42.4	42.3	42.7	42.5	42.8	43.4	43.6	42.4
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	40.8	41.2	41.8	42.3	43.9	48.2	49.9	50.3	46.9	43.8	42.1	42.7	44.5
OTHER SERVICES	13.0	13.2	13.6	13.7	13.8	14.0	13.6	13.6	13.7	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.6

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	380.95	382.80	382.17	387.48	392.41	398.26	398.31	402.08	410.53	407.03	405.13	405.45	395.59
GOODS PRODUCING	602.77	610.37	625.86	629.15	641.92	638.98	636.65	654.94	670.57	666.37	652.62	647.70	640.90
SERVICE-PROVIDING	304.65	307.47	303.58	309.08	309.48	315.78	311.17	312.91	322.58	319.33	321.41	324.87	313.01
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	881.96	929.66	907.30	848.86	896.26	898.06	939.46	919.75	953.90	948.98	946.48	954.84	920.19
MINING	919.30	961.35	953.06	886.81	935.33	929.04	980.42	943.06	972.52	971.71	978.01	968.19	949.49
CONSTRUCTION	585.36	590.20	618.26	639.20	653.78	627.07	652.27	669.18	690.43	678.37	636.16	624.40	641.19
MANUFACTURING	539.43	536.10	550.80	556.50	550.93	567.10	520.20	551.04	553.14	556.53	569.99	564.46	551.23
DURABLE GOODS	533.91	540.00	546.00	554.47	551.08	566.16	499.22	541.08	533.73	539.28	563.48	558.67	544.05
NONDURABLE GOODS	550.74	530.56	559.63	562.70	553.55	570.19	566.13	574.27	595.94	596.92	586.08	579.43	568.50
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	357.40	367.90	367.90	374.57	383.95	393.42	401.24	399.04	398.00	390.76	386.10	397.27	385.12
WHOLESALE TRADE	506.91	533.20	532.17	511.20	550.80	553.90	574.53	585.00	564.24	540.67	558.92	547.28	546.26
RETAIL TRADE	264.44	269.95	271.07	278.88	277.55	288.43	294.84	288.96	288.30	284.59	280.28	288.61	281.21
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	523.55	535.42	530.44	568.26	590.32	603.60	616.20	620.75	635.45	635.58	615.26	667.66	594.27
INFORMATION	653.38	635.01	628.35	615.96	613.47	617.53	596.94	578.30	569.23	560.21	570.39	574.35	600.56
FINANCE	397.48	386.99	388.14	392.77	399.70	430.56	412.58	430.11	452.60	448.72	471.11	462.80	423.05
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	375.99	372.30	371.01	380.66	372.26	386.78	379.20	392.74	413.01	409.88	408.92	421.48	390.46
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	412.06	414.95	404.16	417.12	412.42	419.52	429.55	423.79	441.08	429.44	439.88	431.93	423.43
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	181.88	182.12	182.36	181.07	183.71	187.50	189.75	190.00	184.24	179.79	173.88	174.34	183.19
OTHER SERVICES	319.06	321.73	312.19	305.51	296.35	296.98	280.85	287.74	293.49	297.51	289.96	282.38	298.93

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	365.72	367.92	369.40	374.38	380.39	384.26	397.74	398.73	400.08	395.68	390.96	398.13	385.11
GOODS PRODUCING	582.90	577.46	590.44	592.13	616.10	621.85	642.61	653.26	650.63	644.37	640.30	648.52	623.13
SERVICE-PROVIDING	288.89	292.39	292.67	298.66	298.94	303.58	308.56	308.02	308.72	308.52	305.73	312.71	301.94
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	834.42	836.55	818.89	875.96	833.91	844.01	916.63	912.03	963.73	945.52	931.48	949.53	891.22
MINING	877.09	857.65	858.86	899.36	864.99	868.42	958.24	940.91	1019.06	979.57	966.48	991.08	924.88
CONSTRUCTION	560.63	547.54	581.76	583.27	643.44	628.04	658.17	677.10	660.66	645.74	628.72	645.80	626.95
MANUFACTURING	533.07	531.35	536.20	526.05	528.54	548.26	541.68	546.84	548.24	552.67	568.00	566.31	544.36
DURABLE GOODS	519.09	516.93	520.03	529.37	523.12	551.04	533.12	546.42	556.37	554.60	585.36	581.06	542.57
NONDURABLE GOODS	563.62	562.40	575.97	518.77	538.56	542.22	558.84	549.90	530.54	549.45	534.82	535.63	546.51
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	352.18	357.60	361.45	364.01	380.14	377.55	378.79	381.48	373.75	376.29	367.88	373.50	370.31
WHOLESALE TRADE	474.35	498.34	486.16	504.81	521.61	514.45	542.06	569.11	489.86	516.57	536.54	526.58	515.51
RETAIL TRADE	256.67	257.50	259.81	262.24	269.39	272.00	280.09	280.18	280.30	273.61	265.81	275.72	269.10
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	552.25	548.63	571.53	565.02	605.28	591.20	556.80	553.27	579.20	579.56	555.86	561.36	568.67
INFORMATION	639.13	639.49	592.76	644.11	635.80	654.56	657.78	634.41	649.88	634.31	645.42	624.40	638.26
FINANCE	374.03	380.89	374.80	391.68	377.34	379.12	380.21	380.79	409.50	382.69	389.52	406.60	385.20
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	362.77	375.54	376.32	388.91	363.49	378.03	390.00	377.71	383.67	380.25	370.55	396.88	378.88
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	367.09	369.09	366.98	367.72	375.56	374.48	410.15	404.17	415.06	405.45	401.61	412.16	389.87
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	171.81	177.38	178.31	178.60	182.70	196.27	216.72	216.38	208.56	195.47	184.25	190.68	192.27
OTHER SERVICES	305.72	297.36	294.04	301.32	290.08	299.25	314.55	314.94	313.06	312.12	323.82	327.49	307.58

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AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS

(in thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	12.21	12.23	12.21	12.34	12.34	12.33	12.37	12.41	12.71	12.68	12.74	12.75	12.44
GOODS PRODUCING	16.16	16.32	16.47	16.47	16.63	16.64	16.71	16.88	17.15	16.87	16.82	17.00	16.69
SERVICE-PROVIDING	11.41	11.43	11.37	11.49	11.42	11.40	11.44	11.42	11.73	11.74	11.86	11.90	11.55
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	20.85	21.52	21.81	21.49	21.86	21.64	20.97	21.34	22.03	21.23	21.96	21.90	21.55
MINING	21.28	22.10	22.32	22.06	22.43	22.12	21.36	21.83	22.46	21.69	22.38	22.36	22.03
CONSTRUCTION	16.26	16.44	16.62	16.91	17.07	17.04	17.12	17.61	17.98	17.62	17.24	17.84	17.19
MANUFACTURING	14.54	14.45	14.61	14.53	14.46	14.43	14.45	14.35	14.33	14.27	14.43	14.29	14.43
DURABLE GOODS	13.69	13.50	13.65	13.59	13.54	13.48	13.42	13.36	13.31	13.25	13.71	13.56	13.50
NONDURABLE GOODS	16.44	16.79	17.01	17.00	16.98	16.97	16.95	16.94	16.93	16.91	16.19	16.14	16.77
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	11.31	11.39	11.39	11.49	11.53	11.47	11.53	11.60	11.81	11.77	11.88	11.93	11.60
WHOLESALE TRADE	14.36	14.77	14.58	14.40	15.30	14.93	15.28	15.60	15.63	15.23	15.70	15.46	15.09
RETAIL TRADE	9.15	9.12	9.22	9.39	9.13	9.07	9.10	9.03	9.27	9.24	9.25	9.28	9.19
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	14.15	14.24	14.07	14.35	14.54	15.09	15.14	15.48	15.69	16.05	16.32	16.86	15.16
INFORMATION	17.47	17.35	17.31	17.11	16.90	16.69	16.49	16.29	16.08	15.87	15.67	15.91	16.59
FINANCE	10.98	10.84	10.97	11.19	11.42	11.70	11.89	12.15	12.40	12.64	13.05	12.82	11.85
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	12.45	12.41	12.45	12.44	12.45	12.64	12.64	12.71	13.07	12.93	13.32	13.64	12.76
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	13.04	13.09	12.79	13.20	13.01	13.11	13.34	13.08	13.53	13.42	13.17	13.01	13.15
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	7.61	7.62	7.63	7.64	7.56	7.53	7.59	7.51	7.52	7.46	7.56	7.58	7.57
OTHER SERVICES	11.04	11.21	11.11	10.95	10.66	10.76	10.25	10.54	10.83	11.06	10.86	11.25	10.87

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AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	11.61	11.68	11.69	11.81	11.85	11.86	11.98	12.01	12.31	12.25	12.18	12.25	11.96
GOODS PRODUCING	15.38	15.44	15.62	15.79	15.92	16.11	16.31	16.21	16.43	16.48	16.21	16.46	16.06
SERVICE-PROVIDING	10.82	10.91	10.88	10.98	10.95	10.92	11.02	11.04	11.35	11.26	11.24	11.33	11.06
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	19.82	19.73	19.78	20.23	19.95	20.24	20.88	21.21	21.56	21.20	21.17	21.29	20.83
MINING	20.35	20.18	20.02	20.44	20.21	20.53	21.20	21.63	22.01	21.72	21.67	21.83	21.02
CONSTRUCTION	15.66	16.01	16.16	16.43	16.80	17.02	16.79	16.76	18.94	16.86	16.58	16.95	16.63
MANUFACTURING	13.81	13.73	14.00	13.88	13.80	13.88	14.18	13.95	14.13	14.43	14.20	14.41	14.03
DURABLE GOODS	13.31	13.12	13.30	13.47	13.21	13.44	13.60	13.36	13.57	13.56	13.55	13.64	13.43
NONDURABLE GOODS	14.99	15.20	15.78	14.95	15.30	15.02	15.61	15.49	15.65	16.65	15.87	16.38	15.57
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	11.04	11.21	11.26	11.34	11.45	11.27	11.24	11.32	11.50	11.30	11.25	11.25	11.29
WHOLESALE TRADE	13.87	14.32	13.93	14.18	14.57	14.33	14.77	15.34	14.24	14.27	14.58	14.75	14.44
RETAIL TRADE	8.79	8.91	8.99	8.95	9.04	8.86	8.92	8.98	9.16	9.06	8.98	9.04	8.97
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	14.27	14.14	14.36	14.83	14.55	14.67	14.50	14.15	15.57	14.31	14.18	14.14	14.47
INFORMATION	16.43	16.61	16.42	16.73	17.00	17.18	16.78	17.10	17.33	17.19	17.35	17.06	16.93
FINANCE	10.81	10.79	10.77	10.88	10.72	10.74	10.65	10.49	11.25	10.66	10.82	10.93	10.79
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	11.74	11.96	11.76	12.23	11.84	11.74	12.00	11.73	12.18	12.11	12.07	12.52	11.99
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	11.58	11.68	11.65	11.60	11.81	12.08	12.62	12.67	12.89	12.75	12.79	12.84	12.26
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	7.28	7.24	7.19	7.26	7.25	7.52	7.74	7.84	7.90	7.85	7.49	7.72	7.54
OTHER SERVICES	10.47	10.62	10.85	10.61	10.25	10.50	10.52	10.64	10.87	10.99	10.94	10.88	10.68

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	31.2	31.3	31.3	31.4	31.8	32.3	32.2	32.4	32.3	32.1	31.8	31.8	31.8
GOODS PRODUCING	37.3	37.4	38.0	38.2	38.6	38.4	38.1	38.8	39.1	39.5	38.8	38.1	38.4
SERVICE-PROVIDING	26.7	26.9	26.7	26.9	27.1	27.7	27.2	27.4	27.5	27.2	27.1	27.3	27.1
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	42.3	43.2	41.6	39.5	41.0	41.5	44.8	43.1	43.3	44.7	43.1	43.6	42.7
MINING	43.2	43.5	42.7	40.2	41.7	42.0	45.9	43.2	43.3	44.8	43.7	43.3	43.1
CONSTRUCTION	36.0	35.9	37.2	37.8	38.3	36.8	38.1	38.0	38.4	38.5	36.9	35.0	37.3
MANUFACTURING	37.1	37.1	37.7	38.3	38.1	39.3	36.0	38.4	38.6	39.0	39.5	39.5	38.2
DURABLE GOODS	39.0	40.0	40.0	40.8	40.7	42.0	37.2	40.5	40.1	40.7	41.1	41.2	40.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	33.5	31.6	32.9	33.1	32.6	33.6	33.4	33.9	35.2	35.3	36.2	35.9	33.9
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	31.6	32.3	32.3	32.6	33.3	34.3	34.8	34.4	33.7	33.2	32.5	33.3	33.2
WHOLESALE TRADE	35.3	36.1	36.5	35.5	36.0	37.1	37.6	37.5	36.1	35.5	35.6	35.4	36.2
RETAIL TRADE	28.9	29.6	29.4	29.7	30.4	31.8	32.4	32.0	31.1	30.8	30.3	31.1	30.6
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	37.0	37.6	37.7	39.6	40.6	40.0	40.7	40.1	40.5	39.6	37.7	39.6	39.2
INFORMATION	37.4	36.6	36.3	36.0	36.3	37.0	36.2	35.5	35.4	35.3	36.4	36.1	36.2
FINANCE	36.2	35.7	35.2	35.1	35.0	36.8	34.7	35.4	36.5	35.5	36.1	36.1	35.7
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	30.2	30.0	29.8	30.6	29.9	30.6	30.0	30.9	31.6	31.7	30.7	30.9	30.6
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	31.6	31.7	31.6	31.6	31.7	32.0	32.2	32.4	32.6	32.0	33.4	33.2	32.2
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	23.9	23.9	23.9	23.7	24.3	24.9	25.0	25.3	24.5	24.1	23.0	23.0	24.2
OTHER SERVICES	28.9	28.7	28.1	27.9	27.8	27.6	27.4	27.3	27.1	26.9	26.7	25.1	27.5

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AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

(In thousands)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	BMK 02 AVERAGE
TOTAL PRIVATE	31.5	31.5	31.6	31.7	32.1	32.4	33.2	33.2	32.5	32.3	32.1	32.5	32.2
GOODS PRODUCING	37.9	37.4	37.8	37.5	38.7	38.6	39.4	40.3	39.6	39.1	39.5	39.4	38.8
SERVICE-PROVIDING	26.7	26.8	26.9	27.2	27.3	27.8	28.0	27.9	27.2	27.4	27.2	27.6	27.3
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	42.1	42.4	41.4	43.3	41.8	41.7	43.9	43.0	44.7	44.6	44.0	44.6	43.2
MINING	43.1	42.5	42.9	44.0	42.8	42.3	45.2	43.5	46.3	45.1	44.6	45.4	44.0
CONSTRUCTION	35.8	34.2	36.0	35.5	38.3	36.9	39.2	40.4	39.0	38.3	37.8	36.1	37.7
MANUFACTURING	38.6	38.7	38.3	37.9	38.3	39.5	38.2	39.2	38.8	38.3	40.0	39.3	38.8
DURABLE GOODS	39.0	39.4	39.1	39.3	39.6	41.0	39.2	40.9	41.0	40.9	43.2	42.6	40.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	37.6	37.0	36.5	34.7	35.2	36.1	35.8	35.5	33.9	33.0	33.7	32.7	35.1
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	31.9	31.9	32.1	32.1	33.2	33.5	33.7	33.7	32.5	33.3	32.7	33.2	32.8
WHOLESALE TRADE	34.2	34.8	34.9	35.6	35.8	35.9	36.7	37.1	34.4	36.2	36.8	35.7	35.7
RETAIL TRADE	29.2	28.9	28.9	29.3	29.8	30.7	31.4	31.2	30.6	30.2	29.6	30.5	30.0
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSE & UTILITIES	38.7	38.8	39.8	38.1	41.6	40.3	38.4	39.1	37.2	40.5	39.2	39.7	39.3
INFORMATION	38.9	38.5	36.1	38.5	37.4	38.1	39.2	37.1	37.5	36.9	37.2	36.6	37.7
FINANCE	34.8	35.3	34.8	36.0	35.2	35.3	35.7	36.3	36.4	35.9	36.0	37.2	35.7
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	30.9	31.4	32.0	31.8	30.7	32.2	32.5	32.2	31.5	31.4	30.7	31.7	31.6
HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL SERVICES	31.7	31.6	31.5	31.7	31.8	31.0	32.5	31.9	32.2	31.8	31.4	32.1	31.8
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	23.6	24.5	24.8	24.6	25.2	26.1	28.0	27.6	26.4	24.9	24.6	24.7	25.5
OTHER SERVICES	29.2	28.0	27.1	28.4	28.3	28.5	29.9	29.8	28.8	28.4	29.6	30.1	28.8

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ALSO REFERENCE CES-790 PROGRAM DEFINITION ON "GLOSSARY OF TERMS" PAGE.

Benchmarking

Data included in this publication reflect the current benchmarks for the nonagricultural wage and salary employment series and the labor force series. The annual tables included in this publication also reflect these benchmarks.

A benchmark is a point of reference from which measurements can be made, or upon which adjustments are based. The two series are benchmarked differently:

(1) The level of nonagricultural wage and salary employment is based on an estimate of the nonfarm economy known as an established level of employment.

The benchmark is a reasonably complete count of the number of all employees in an industry at a specific point in time, and then the level of employment from which the monthly or month to month change is measured. The basis of the benchmark is the ES-202, which is a complete count of all employees covered by Montana unemployment insurance laws. The ES-202 is adjusted by special surveys to include employers not covered by unemployment insurance laws.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment estimates are compared to the ES-202 on an annual basis and include necessary corrections for estimation error that may have occurred due to sample error, changes in industrial classification of individual firms, the presence of nonreported reactivated and the opening or closing of businesses.

(2) Labor force data is derived from a monthly sample of households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the U.S. Department of Labor known as the Current Population Survey (CPS). The data is designed to be statistically significant on a monthly basis for the nation. States with small populations, however, do not have a large enough sample to ensure reliability on a monthly basis. This is the main reason for benchmarking the labor force series in Montana.

The labor force series also includes the benchmarked nonagricultural wage and salary employment by industry in its benchmarking process. Revisions in the labor force series is normally limited to the preceding three years. Occasionally, a longer benchmark is warranted. For instance, the 1990-95 labor force series was revised in 1997 to incorporate census data revisions.

Reliability of CES estimates

The Current Employment Statistics (CES) uses sample-based estimates. Differences between the CES estimates and benchmarked data may be caused by sampling error, changes in industry classification of businesses, or openings and closings of businesses. Thus, the CES estimates are adjusted each year during the benchmark process *(see benchmarking explanation above)*.

Glossary of terms

1.Civilian Labor Force - the number of persons 16 years and older, defined as employed or unemployed, excluding members of the armed forces

2.Employed - those persons who work for pay or profit during a week or, as unpaid family workers, who work 15 hours or more during a week. Also included as employed are those who, although not working, had some job attachment and were not looking for work, including persons temporarily absent from a job due to illness, bad weather, vacation, or labor dispute, whether or not they were in a pay status during their time off.

3.Unemployed - those persons who, for an entire week, did not work at all, were able to work and available for work, and (1) were looking for work or (2) would have looked for work except that (a) they were waiting to return to a job from which they had been laid off, or (b) they were waiting to report to a new wage and salary job scheduled to start within the following 30 days (and were not in school during the week).

4.Unemployment Rate - the number of unemployed expressed as a percent of the civilian labor force

5.Residence Data - a count of people by where people live

6.Establishment Data - a count of jobs by where people work

7.Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Series - to facilitate the evaluation of the labor force, recurrent yearly movements have been isolated and removed using the X-12 ARIMA method of seasonal adjustment. This is the same method used by the Bureau of Labor Statistics to seasonally adjust the national labor force series.

8.MSA - Metropolitan Statistical Area - as determined by the Office of Management and Budget. The MSA must have a central city with a population of 50,000 or more.

9.LFA - Labor Force Area as determined by the Research and Analysis Bureau, Montana Department of Labor and Industry, consists of a central city or cities with a population of less than 50,000 and the economically integrated geographical area surrounding it.

10.LWIA - The enactment of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 is the first wholesale reform of the nation's job training system in more than 15 years. Montana's State Workforce Investment Board was created by the governor in response to this act and its first task was to certify the local workforce investment areas (LWIA), which are guided by local workforce investment boards (these local boards replaced JTPA's Private Industry Councils). The two LWIAs for Montana are known as Rural Concentrated Employment Program, or CEP (Beaverhead, Broadwater, Deer Lodge, Granite, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, Madison, Meagher, Powell, and Silver Bow counties), and Balance of State (the other 46 counties).

11.BENCHMARKING - is a continuous process of establishing a new set of data which affects the series of estimates through revisions. Once a new benchmark is established, the adjustments to estimates between the new benchmark and the preceding one are carried forward progressively to the current month by use of sample trends. The benchmark is established less frequently (usually once a year) based on sample or secondary data. In the case of employment data, the benchmark is used to establish the level of employment, while the sample is primarily used to measure the month - to - month changes in the level.

12.CES-790 Program - Current employment statistics survey produces monthly estimates of a wide variety of employment and earnings information for the nation and each state. Because this information comes from a survey of employers, persons who work for two different companies would be counted twice. Thus, nonagricultural employment is actually a count of the number of jobs filled, rather than the number of persons employed.

Sources of data

S-1.) Prepared by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). LAUS data (Local Area Unemployment Statistics program) is adjusted to the Current Population Survey statewide and is the official BLS approved series that is used to allocate federal funds and determine eligibility for federal assistance programs. This series represents employment and unemployment by place of residence, and is not comparable to the place-of-work industry employment series (CES data). LAUS data is calculated for the week that includes the 12th of the month. Workers involved in labor disputes are counted as employed. Total employment in the labor force also includes agricultural workers, unpaid family workers, domestic workers and the self-employed.

S-2.) Prepared by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau. The unadjusted unemployment rate is prepared by the LAUS program in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. The seasonally adjusted rate is an unofficial series, and is provided only for use as a state economic indicator.

S-3.) Prepared by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau from LAUS data. Data for Service Delivery Areas and Labor Force Areas is calculated from the official data series by summing the employment and unemployment for the appropriate counties involved, and calculating an unemployment rate from the summed data for each area.

S-4.) Prepared by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data from the CES (Current Employment Statistics) program represents nonagricultural wage and salary employment by place of work, and covers full-time and part-time employees who worked during, or received pay for, the payroll period that includes the 12th of the month. The data excludes the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers and domestic workers. Persons on sick leave, vacations, or holidays (and being paid for that period by their employer) are considered employed. Payroll and worker hour data is collected for production and related workers in manufacturing industries, nonsupervisory workers in private service-producing industries, and construction workers in construction industries. The earnings figures are "gross" figures—that is, they reflect changes in wage rates, shift differentials and premium pay for overtime work. The hours figures relate to the hours for which pay was received, which is different from scheduled or standard work hours.

S-5.) Prepared by the Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau from a survey of Business Establishments as part of the BLS-790 Program. Information on female employment is computed as a ratio of all employees of the Current Employment Statistics, and is produced for informational purposes only.

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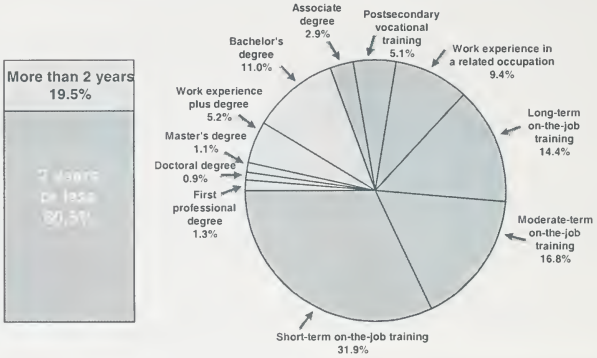
- Based on 2000 Job Estimates -



*Statewide, all industries (includes self-employed)
Source: Research & Analysis Bureau, Montana Department of Labor & Industry

- Most Montana jobs require two years or less of training—which may include training acquired in a school, work, apprenticeship, military, institutional or vocational environment.

- Find out more about Montana job projections on the Research and Analysis Bureau website at http://rad.dli.state.mt.us.

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